GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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DELAY IN COMPLETION OF PROJECTS UNDER PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) not completed within the stipulated time during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the authorities concerned have imposed penalty for the defaults in the execution of such projects; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred in reply to part (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 8 due for reply on 17.10.2008

(a): As per Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) Programme Guidelines, PMGSY projects are to be completed within a period of 9 working months from the date of issue of the Work order. In case the period for execution is likely to be adversely affected by monsoon or other seasonal factors, the time period for execution may be extended but shall not exceed 12 calendar months. In respect of Hill States where the work is executed in two stages, the time limit up to 18 calendar months has been permitted for completion of Stage-I works and 9 to 12 months for Stage - II works. 1034 works in the year 2005-06, 6964 works in 2006-07 and 11464 works in 2007-08 could not be completed within the prescribed time period. The details have been given in Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): PMGSY Works are awarded by the States following Standard Bidding Document (SBD). The provision for liquidated damages on account of delay in execution of works attributable to the contractor exists in the SBD. As the responsibility of the implementation and the contract management vest with the respective State Government, the Ministry has advised the State Governments to closely monitor the schedule of implementation and also levy of liquidated damages, wherever required.